

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to comply with 35 U.S.C. §120.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE SPECIFICATION - VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Page 1, please delete the paragraph under the sub-heading of "<u>Cross-Reference to</u>

<u>Related Applications</u>" and replace it with the following replacement paragraphs:

-- This is a continuation of application no. 08/474,914 filed June 7, 1995, which is a division of application no. 08/186,985 filed January 28, 1994.

This application contains subject matter related to that contained in the following patent applications, the entire contents and disclosures of all of which are incorporated herein by reference: Serial Nos. 06/746,672 filed June 20, 1985 (abandoned); 07/313,734 filed February 22, 1989 (U.S. Patent No. 5,128,353); 07/645,644 filed January 25, 1991 (U.S. Patent No. 5,173,505); 07/993,620 filed December 21, 1992 (U.S. Patent [_______] No. 5,292,775); 06/936,835 filed December 2, 1986 (abandoned); 06/066,227 filed June 25, 1987 (abandoned); 07/210,520 filed June 23, 1988 (U.S. Patent No. 5,091,576); 07/834,345 filed February 12, 1992 (U.S. Patent [______] No. 5,342,945); 07/870,441 filed October 9, 1992; 07/986,576 filed December 7, 1992: 08/061,707 filed May 17, 1993; 08/124,557 filed September 22, 1993; and 08/162,776 filed December 8, 1993. --



IN THE CLAIMS - VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Please delete claim 1 and replace it with the following new claim 1:

--1. A [pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of hypertension comprising an effective anti-hypertensive amount of at least one compound in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable, substantially non-toxic carrier or excipient; said compound having one of the formulae:] method of effecting anti-hypertensive action which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of the compound:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R-N^{1}-(CH_{2})_{a}-N^{2}-(CH_{2})_{b}-N^{3}-(CH_{2})_{c}-N^{4}-(CH_{2})_{d}-N^{5}-(CH_{2})_{e}\ N^{6}-R' \\ | & | & | & | & | \\ R_{1} & R_{2} & R_{3} & R_{4} & R_{5} & R_{6} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & R \\
\downarrow & \downarrow \\
N^1 & R_7 & R_7 & N^4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
& R \\
\downarrow & N^4 & N^4
\end{array}$$
(III);

wherein:

R and R' may be the same or different and are H, alkyl or aralkyl having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms;

 $R^1 - R_6$ may be the same or different and are H, R or R'; R_7 is H, alkyl, aryl or aralkyl having from 1 to 12 carbon atoms;

m and n may be the same or different and are integers from 3 to 10, inclusive; a – e may be the same or different and are integers from 3 to 10, inclusive;

or

(IV) a salt of (I), (II) or (III) with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid.]

Wherein: R and R¹ are both ethyl, $R_1 - R_4$ are each hydrogen, m and n are both 3, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. --